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The Newsletter of the Queen Anne Historical Society, Seattle, WA

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October Walking Tour to Cover Highland Drive and Southeast Slope of Queen Anne

Members and friends of the Society are encouraged to join in for the next informative walking tour of one of our Queen Anne neighborhoods. The date is Saturday, October 23, from 10 am to 12 noon. There is no charge for this tour.

The October walking tour will start at 1st Ave North & Highland Drive. It will include historical background on the architecture and ownership of a number of residences, the Queen Anne Boulevard, Bhy Kracke park and Queen Anne High School.

Tour guides will be our always reliable Kim Turner, Society President, and Bob Frazier, Society Archivist. Recollections of our tour members are solicited also.

Bring your walking shoes and gather at 1st N and Highland at 10 am on Oct. 23rd.

Next Historical Society Meeting:

The Olmsted Park Plan and its Relation to Queen Anne Hill

Wed. Sept. 15, 7:30 pm

Seattle's park system has a long and interesting history. Its modern era began in 1903 with the arrival of John Olmsted in Seattle and the publication of the Olmsted Brothers report, "A Comprehensive System of Parks and Parkways". This report included parks on Queen Anne, which never actually got built.

Join your friends and neighbors at our next public meeting

**Wed., Sept. 15, 7:30 pm
McClure Middle School Library
First West and West Crockett**

Doug Jackson, of the Seattle Friends of Olmsted Parks, will speak on the "Historical Perspective of the Olmsted Brothers and Their Relationship to the Seattle Park System." Maps, photos and a slide presentation will trace the role of this remarkable family and how their vision of Seattle changed the lives of Seattleites and Queen Anners.

This free public meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. The event will be held at McClure Middle School Library at 1915 1st Ave. W. on Queen Anne. For more information, contact John Hennes at 284-2266.

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MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

Membership fees for the 1999-2000 season were due in May. You should by now have received a renewal letter, if you have not already renewed. Please renew your membership at this time, we need your continued support. Should you not renew by the end of September, you will unfortunately have to be dropped from the roster. For more information, contact our Membership Chair, Nadine Belcher, at 284-

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CALENDAR OF

Wed. Sept. 15th

Program: Doug Jackson presents a "Historical Perspective of the Olmsted Brothers and their Relationship to the Seattle Park System." McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free. (see story, p. 1)

Sat. Oct. 9

Coe School Open House: View school remodel plans and learn how you can help the student-community history project. Coe school, 1-4 pm. Free. (see story, p. 3)

Sat. Oct. 23rd

Walking Tour: Highland Drive and SE Queen Anne. Meet at 1st Ave N. and Highland Drive, at 10 am. Contact John Hennes at 284-2266. Free. (see story, p. 1)

Wed. Nov. 17th

Program: As this century fades, look to the new millenium with a program on Seattle's newest (& most controversial) building, the *Experience Music Project*. Patti Payne, Director of Public Affairs for EMP will show a video and discuss the project. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK BY JOHN HENNES

With the departure of our previous editor of the Cobblestone, Anthony Salazar, the publishing duties have fallen to me. Anthony did a wonderful job and converted our previously hand-typed newsletter into a nice electronic desktop format that can incorporate scanned photos, fancy layout and other modern features.

Alas, as we move into the 21st century your current editor will be struggling to learn how to use Microsoft Publisher to equal Anthony's work. But be patient, we'll all catch up to the 20th century... about the same time as we step into the 21st.

Dang, behind again!

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The Queen Anne Historical Society was formed to record and preserve, in permanent form, the history of the settling of the Queen Anne community and to develop within the community an appreciation and concern for its history and its historical sites.

SOCIETY NEWS AND HERITAGE ACTIVITY NOTES

Coe Elementary School Grads Wanted — Open House October 9th

Coe School graduates are being sought to take part in a Coe Elementary School program this fall involving the students' development of a history of their school and community. Isabel Egglin, our school programs chair, is working with Susan Dittig, Coe PTA President, on this project. Coe will be closing at the end of this coming school year for a two year rebuilding program. Before the students are moved to an interim school, they plan to conduct this grant-funded program with our help and with your help. Coe grads can take part by signing up to talk to the 1st and 2nd graders about their days at Coe, or by being subjects of oral interviews by the 3rd, 4th and 5th graders, who will be preparing a video history of their school.

You can learn all about this, and your friends who are Coe grads can sign up to help, at a big Open House to be held Saturday, October 9th, 1-4 pm at Coe School., 7th W. and W. Wheeler. You will also be able to see models and drawings of the school redesign. Your Historical Society can also use your help, whether you went to Coe or not, in working with the children of Coe. Plan to attend this interesting open house at one of our landmark schools. You can call Susan Dittig at 285-7541 or Isabel Egglin at 286-3605.

Nearby History 2000

Coming in the new year to the Queen Anne Library is a unique program, *Nearby History 2000*. This is an ongoing series of programs to aid local history groups in building greater local awareness of the history that exists within each community, and how to dig it out of archives, families and businesses.

The Nearby History program will link our neighborhood Queen Anne library with our Historical Society, and the inhabitants of the area. It gives individuals a real chance to evaluate papers, letters, etc. from family members, and to extract history from them. It explains what constitutes historic material/data, and why it is important to conserve what is found.

Nearby History is a nationally-acclaimed program of the Museum of History and Industry, in cooperation with the Seattle Public Library. The Queen Anne Historical Society will be the major stakeholder in the program, along with other groups. A series of public programs will allow each of us, and the Society, to increase our understanding of how we are all part of our community's history and how we can help preserve our own small part of it.

More details will be available in November.

Carlos Bulosan

Carlos Bulosan, 1911-1956, was one of America's great immigrant poets. This pioneering Filipino writer came to America in 1930, labored as a migrant worker and wrote stories and poems that were world-famous. The Seattle Times on Sunday, August 8, carried a lengthy piece on his life and times. We mention this because Bulosan's grave site is in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, and is one of the most prominent stops on our annual walking tours of Mt. Pleasant. Who else is buried at Mt. Pleasant that we should know about? If you have any suggestions, call Del Loder at 282-8771.

Endeavour Visit

Fans of maritime history will want to note the visit to northwest waters of the ship *Endeavour*. This gorgeous replica of Captain Cook's famous ship will be at Port Townsend, Sept. 7-12, and Gig Harbor, Sept. 23-26. Check it out at www.barkendeavour.com.au

Zoo Centennial

Animal lovers will want to keep open the date of Sat., Sept. 18, when Seattle's Woodland Park Zoo will celebrate its 100th birthday.

Yes, I want to join the Queen Anne Historical Society in preserving our community's heritage and promoting the public's understanding of its past.

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☐ I would like to become active in the Queen Anne Historical Society

Return with payment to: QUEEN ANNE HISTORICAL SOCIETY PO Box 19432 Seattle, WA 98109-1432

MOHAI Holiday

The Museum of History and Industry's 3rd annual *Holiday History Market* will be held at the museum on Saturday, Nov. 27, 10 am to 5 pm. It features local and regional historical gift items.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER
BY KIM TURNER

As the crow flies, we've come a very long way since our arrival on the historical scene in the early 1970s. I have yet to see the Queen Anne Historical Society come down from its level of growth (in what we do, not in how many of us there are to do it) that began in 1986. It has been a roller coaster ride, with all the highs, lows, loops and wild configurations that can occur during a ride.

Nearly all the projects we have begun have created ripples within ripples, giving us the ears and eyes of historical groups of far greater reach, membership, and funding. In spite of our modest size, we have created a history book which can stand on its own merits, even with such faults as may be noted by the readers. We have conducted a growing variety of walking tours. We have held public meetings with topics of greater variety, to appeal to our society's members.

On the whole we have done well with what we have, and we continue to build our archive. We now stand at the beginning of a new era, possibly with a real 'home base' for the society, and can develop even more programs to enrich our community.

I am proud to have been a part of this growth, and hope to continue to provide assistance in our forthcoming research projects, be they walking tours or such local history items as I can research at Seattle Public Library.

Kim can be reached at e-mail: kturner@spl.org

Our Archivist happily announces, with great gratitude,

NOTES FROM THE ARCHIVES
BY BOB FRAZIER

the following donations to the archives in recent months:

June Gasperovich: An Easter card to her family from G.W. Shilestad, church school superintendent, Methodist Episcopal Church, dated April 19, 1908;

Ray Bowman: A four year collection of "The Counterbalance", newsletter of the QA Chamber of Commerce;

Del Loder: Several books, including "America's Worst Train Disaster", by Don Moody, 1998;

Bob Frazier: Nineteen photos and negatives of recent events in the community;

Isabel Egglin: Various items of photography, newspapers, memorabilia, etc.;

Ron Palmer: Permission for the Society to make copies of over 70 photographic slides of Queen Anne history.;

Paul Dorpat: Permission for the Society to make copies of over 100 photographic slides of Queen Anne history.

These items, and items donated in earlier months, are all gratefully received by your Archivist. The archive materials are available for research by members and the public, by appointment with Bob Frazier.

For instance, we helped the leaders of St. Anne's Home Tour, in May, by making available our information about the McFee family (Joel Pritchard's ancestors).

We earnestly invite each of you to donate copies of your memoirs, biographies or genealogies to the Queen

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more details about how you can share in Queen Anne's history.



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